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Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301; 40 U.S.C. 121(c)(2).

### **Subpart 312.1—Acquisition of Commercial Items—General**

#### **312.101 Policy.**

Contracting offices shall use the HHS Smarter Buying Program to the maximum extent practicable. See [HHS Acquisition Regulation part 307](#), Acquisition Planning.

### **Subpart 312.2—Special Requirements for the Acquisition of Commercial Items**

#### **312.202(d) Market research and description of agency need.**

Whenever a requiring activity specifies electronic and information technology (EIT) supplies and services subject to Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the requiring activity shall acquire commercially available supplies and services to the maximum extent possible while ensuring Section 508 compliance. See [part 339](#).

